

FREEPORT PUBLIC LIBRARY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
March 13, 2013 – 6 p.m.

A meeting of the Freeport Public Library Board of Trustees was held in the Library's Boardroom on March 13, 2013. Board President Scott Haugh presided and called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

Members Present:	Judy Barney	Jim Bielen
	Barb Green	Scott Haugh
	Jill Collin	Luke Beggin

Members Absent:	Betty Carroll	Nicole Bauer
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Also present was Library Director Carole Dickerson and Library Supervisors Lois Rees, Margaret Morgan, and Robby Craig.

Connie Hoffman acted as Recording Secretary.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Jill Collin moved and Barb Green seconded to approve the minutes of the December 12, 2012 Board of Trustees meeting. The motion carried.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Luke Beggin moved and Judy Barney seconded to accept the accompanying Financial Reports. Motion carried.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Carole Dickerson updated the board on the success of the "One Book, One Freeport" program and how successful they have been. She spoke at the Word Day of Prayer luncheon whose theme was "I was a Stranger, and You Welcomed Me" and told about coming to Freeport and how welcoming the community was to her. She attended a Parkinson's Support Group in Rockford where she took her therapy dog Frances.

Director Dickerson congratulated Connie Hoffman on her appointment as a Chamber Ambassador. She took notes on Board recommendation for ways to celebrate the library's tenth anniversary.

STAFF REPORTS

Circulation Supervisor Lois Rees told the board that she was the celebrity reader for the Paws for Reading program on March 6. Her six year term on the 4-H Foundation just ended. Her 15th anniversary at the library is March 21.

Youth Services Supervisor Robby Craig admitted that this was a slow time of year for Youth Services. She continues doing programs like Paws for Reading and Book Invaders. She is involved in the

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Headstart Program where, once a month, she read to all ten classes. Every other month Headstart children come to the library. There were 287 children who attended all the Youth Services programs during the month of February. She is enjoying being part of the Early Childhood Consortium and attending the Leadership Institute. The summer reading theme this year is "Have Book- Will Travel."

Technical Services Supervisor Margaret Morgan told the board that the Technical Services department is keeping up with its work load with only two employees in the department. She continues to be active in the community by participating in PEO, Shakespeare Society, and the League of Women Voters, where she serves on the board.

COMMUNICATIONS / BOARD COMMENTS

Scott Haugh read a letter from the Salvation Army thanking the library for 878 lbs. of food donated during February's Food for Fines drive.

Judy Barney reminded the board of the upcoming "The Taffetas" Library Foundation fundraiser event at Winneshiek Theatre on May 9.

Luke Beggin moved to adjourn at 6:45 p.m. and Barb Green seconded the motion.

Connie Hoffman, Recording Secretary